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Introduction + Suggestions

This little series will be comprised of both suggestions and my own ideas! Please keep in mind that all ratings in this book are my own personal opinions and take on the ships- If you don't agree, that's cool! Feel free to put your own rating in the comments!

This is the chapter where you can suggest any ship you like! (Or don't like 👀 Least favorite pairs are welcome to be rated too) I'll do a chapter on every ship commented here!

Pairings will be rated 1-10, and at the end be given a star rating as a little bonus! Is that redundant? Absolutely. But I'm just here to have fun and rate battle cat ships, y'all.

Be sure to stay respectful of others and their shipping preferences! 💝

Feel free to tag any friends if you think they'd have fun reading along and rating pairings with me! 🐌

Firestar x Sandstorm

7/10

Starting simple! I really liked these two as a kid, though not as much as Silverstream x Graystripe. I always loved their dynamic and development throughout the story, and once they had Leafpool and Squirrelflight, I could only imagine them being a tender and happy pair, which is a super nice contrast to their rocky beginnings!

I do think they could've been a lot more developed, though, especially with Sandstorm falling in love with him. Fireheart only realizing she loved him through Cinderpelt telling him was incredibly endearing though, he can be an awesome prophesized hero all he wants, but he's an oblivious himbo at heart. Orange cat energy at it's finest.

☆☆☆☆

Fun, and definitely a classic, but has *way* more potential than was in the books

Squirrelflight x Brambleclaw

2/10

Another basic one to get things rolling! This ship... Never felt right to me personally. I don't usually mind certain age gaps in pairings, but personally this one always gave me the ick from the start, even when I was a kid. The mix of Squirrel being an apprentice while he was a warrior, and then him treating her like a rowdy apprentice from time to time even once they're full grown warriors and in a relationship rubs me the wrong way. Some of the fan content I've seen for it is super cute, but that's 99% of the time due to the artist's re-imagining of their dynamic LMAO

I think they could be super sweet and awesome if written right, but with what we have in canon, it's a no from me. Not really my thing- I prefer other ships with these two more than them together.

☆

Wish I could like them more than I do. They could've been *really* cute if actually done right.

Brightheart x Cloudtail

9.5/10

Perfect, no notes, other than I wish Brightheart would've been allowed to speak up for herself more. Otherwise, these two always had me soft. Absolutely adorable, and such a wholesome pair. They have a special place in my heart.

☆☆☆☆☆

Precious. Never fails.

Spottedleaf x Firestar

0.5/10

Is this a hot take on here? I'm not sure- I've never really understood the appeal, the only reason I gave it 0.5 is because some of the art people make for it is really pretty. Otherwise, I don't understand it. He was an apprentice when they met, and when she was alive, she didn't show any interest essentially at all. I only ever really imagined it as a childhood crush on the pretty medicine cat and nothing more, and I would've loved to see them in a different type of dynamic if the books were written different, like Spottedleaf as an older sister/mentor figure, or them just being good friends (The lack of male/female friendship in these books is INSANE, can we please have more platonic/found family dynamics between unrelated cats of opposite genders? Last one I genuinely saw was Cinderpelt and Firestar, but even then the Erins added in that weird one-sided crush.)

I get why other people ship it on a base level, since it's probably extremely nostalgic and sentimental, but it's just definitely not for me.

No stars for this ship from me.

Squirrelflight x Crowfeather

7/10

Guilty pleasure of mine- I do have a different ship with Crowfeather that I like more, but these two have always been really cute to me. Pairings that bicker and have maximum sass towards eachother but still grow to love and care for eachother are really cute to me. I think a lot of the fanart and fanfictions about them are really nice. They may not be feasible in canon, but darn are they adorable outside of it. I honestly prefer it to CrowPool or FeatherCrow, lots of potential, I love the idea of the journey group keeping close bonds after the journey is over, so her falling in love with Crowfeather and confiding in him later down the line is nice. I like the idea of them mellowing out slightly with age and even if they still throw snarky remarks and tease eachother, they level out well and are surprisingly functional, even if Crowfeather is probably still baseline grouchy with other people because he's still Crowfeather.

☆☆☆

Three stars since it's obscure, but I love it nonetheless.

Leafpool x Crowfeather

5/10

I was honestly never too interested in these two. I found them a bit boring from the start. I prefer other Leafpool and Crowfeather ships, ngl. This one was really rushed, I could never get attached to them. I do like the three, but I love AUs where Squirrelflight or Mothwing is the mother instead of Leafpool. They're just more interesting to me personally.

☆☆

Basic, but they're okay enough

Spottedleaf x Tigerclaw

8/10

I'm so unbelievably biased here LMAO This is just here because of my AU.

I think these two have a *lot* of interesting potential outside of canon, and the AUs that can come from these two are amazing. Especially because Spottedleaf's really the only molly who ever stood up to him to his face and told him off, with him actually listening to her. (And literally calling her 'dear Spottedleaf' while he's at it, love that scene) He may be evil, but she doesn't let him push her around or blow her off, they'd balance eachother out shockingly well if given the chance imo-

They both have close ties to Starclan, more than most cats, depending on your AU, both might have trauma with Thistleclaw that they can seek solace in eachother over, they're actually close in age (Stares at SpottedFire), and have that little bit of banter in the first book.

Only took off two points due to annoying comments this ship will sometimes get you.

☆☆☆☆☆

My favorite. Bonus art, just because I like it.

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(Art by me lol, this was also posted on my tumblr!)

Scourge x Spottedleaf

7/10

Alright, I'll hear SpottedScourge Shippers out, this pairing is super interesting. Even if I'm big on SpottedTiger, this one has *so* much interesting potential.

Scourge is actually way WAY closer in age to Spotted than his brother Fireheart is, which god knows we need. We know this because Tigerclaw and Spottedleaf are similar ages, and Tiny has his run in with Tiger when Tiger was still an apprentice, while Fireheart is an apprentice when Tiger is old enough to be deputy. That checks out.

I also love the concept I've seen passed around of Spottedpaw possibly fixing up Scourge after he gets attacked by Tigerpaw, that one never fails to be adorable.

Plus, I don't know, I really like villain x medic pairings. Something about the contrast is nice, and I like the fact that I imagine both Spottedleaf and Scourge to be short. Cute cute cute, wish there was more fics so I could be more invested.

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Love the potential, I wish it had more content.

Leafpool x Mothwing

5/10

I'm going to be completely honest, and this might be a hot take, but... I'm not a big fan of MothPool? I don't know, I used to like it more when I was younger, but I grew out of it. It's a bit boring to me nowadays, and it's really overhyped.

That being said, Leafpool definitely had a crush on Mothwing, but I never really read it as Mothwing reciprocating it. Maybe it's just me, but I always interpreted things as Leafpool just finding her best friend super pretty and crushing, while Mothwing was likely unaware.

THOUGH. This ship does have a lot of gorgeous art, and I do see why a lot of Sapphic folk clung to it. It's just not my cup of tea personally. All the power to the MothPool shippers, you guys are valid.

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Better than LeafCrow, but still not my thing. Lovely art.

🐌 !Reminder! 🐌

This is just a little reminder since we've made it through 9 pairings so far, that ship requests are still open!

I'll rate literally any ship suggestions you comment, whether it's your favorite, or one you downright hate LMAO I have a lot of fun doing this series, so I'd love to have people's input and ship ideas!

🍃Tag friends you think would have fun reading along and rating pairings with me here! 🍃

(I'd really really appreciate it 💖)

Oakheart x Bluestar

8/10

They're a classic, what can I say? I don't know what else I would rate this one.

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Only three because I'm not too interested in them as a pairing LMAO

Jayfeather x Stick

1/10

Just a bad crackship from the Warrior's lol random phase, really. It only has the 1 because it's part of the fandom's history LMAO- I never really liked it.

Very very easily outshined by the actually good and taken seriously Moonpaw x Moonpool ship, which is an easy 9/10. Moonˆ2 is the best.

No stars.

Jayfeather x Half Moon

3/10

My terrible confession. I've literally always hated this pairing LMAO It makes me irrationally annoyed, something about it has just been the bane of my existence and has been since I was a kid. It has to be one of my least favorites, purely out of some odd bias I can't shake.

Respect to those who ship it, I DO see why people would really like it, it's just definitely not for me.

No stars. Feel free to leave your own star ratings for this ship in the comments, I promise I won't judge LMAO

Longtail x Mousefur

6/10

They're Queerplatonic. 100% without a doubt in my mind, they are the most QP duo in the whole series. They are best friends, they are life partners, they're so much more, and they're wonderful.

I don't think I'd be able to ever read Mousefur as anything *but* aromantic, and that makes me happy, it means a lot to have a character that has never shown the want or need for a kits or mate, and CANONICALLY states that. especially in a series that's so weirdly intense about making sure everybody has the "mate and babies ever after" ending. Mousefur doesn't need a mate, I definitely prefer her and Longtail just be the closest friends and love eachother dearly in that sense.

Removing 4 points just because it's seen as a romantic pairing a majority of the time, but it's still a favorite of mine in a platonic sense.

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I think we need more pairs like them.

Barley x Ravenpaw

9.5/10

This one is actually just canon LMAO I *really* love them.

I cannot imagine a better Ravenpaw ship if I tried, even if I like RavenFire a bit. RavenBarley is just downright wonderful. Barley's his home, they share a nest, and they care about eachother *so* deeply. Yeah, they have some rocky moments, but literally every couple does, and they both overcome their troubles to go home and live peacefully with eachother in the end.

Barley says that he misses him every day, and Ravenpaw turned down going to *Starclan* to wait for Barley and watch over him, and if that isn't love, I literally don't know what is.

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A classic, and deservedly so.

Hollyleaf x Fallen Leaves

3/10

Wwweird pairing. Just weird, don't like it.

I didn't mind it whenever it was just a fandom ship, but now it's implied on the family tree on the Warrior Cats website? Which... Is already a nightmare, so I don't count it as canon anyways.

It's not because of the age difference, at least not hugely. I don't like the idea that Hollyleaf and him were down there alone together for ages after Fallen Leaves had nobody for so long, just for them to possibly start being mates- He deserves company that doesn't have shoehorned romance in it, even if I vaguely see *why* people would like it from an objective standpoint. It just doesn't sit right with me.

That being said, they do have a special bond, but I don't really see it as a romantic one. I'm glad them being mates is questionable, because them simply having a deep bond is a lot nicer to me. But as a romantic ship? 3/10, rubs me the wrong way.

No stars. Just like the Jayfeather x Half Moon one, feel free to leave your star rating in the comments if you disagree!